

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN RAILWAY STRIKE
BLOWN SKY HIGH; FIGHT TO FINISH NOW

CONSIDER FEDERAL OPERATION SOME MINES AND ROADS

SHOPMEN TURN
DOWN PROPOSAL
OF RAIL CHIEFS

Executives, Strike Leaders and
Mediators Then Pack Bags
and Leave New York.

MUST PREPARE FOR
TEST OF ENDURANCE

Jewell Says Condition of Equip-
ment Will Prove That Rail-
roads Cannot Operate.

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The rail-
roads today developed into a fight to
finish when peace negotiations
blown sky high.

Heads of the big five railroad
brotherhoods, acting as mediators be-
tween executives and striking shop-
men in a final effort to effect sep-
arate settlements with individual roads
under the Association of Railway Exec-
utives as a whole had rejected the
striking trades' first peace overtures,
and the representatives of 77
roads at the Yale club this morning
at the shop crafts had turned down
proposals made to them yesterday
by the carriers.

Negotiations Broken
Negotiations then were sharply brok-
en off and executives, strike leaders
and brotherhood chiefs packed up
bags and began leaving town pre-
pared for a test of endurance.

Before he departed for his headquar-
ters in Chicago, Bert M. Jewell, official
spokesman for the strikers, asserted
that he believed the executives who
had lingered for the parley on individ-
ual settlements soon would be enabled
to bring home to their hard-shelled
colleagues the railroad situation in
a plain reality.

We shall be content to let the con-
dition of equipment prove that the
roads cannot operate with unskilled
"strikebreakers," declared Mr. Jew-
ell, adding later that "we can and will
hold our terms and for a nation-
wide settlement."

Renew Struggle
Labor leaders then dispatched tele-
grams to all parts of the country, call-
ing upon strikers to renew the struggle
with renewed vigor.

The latest peace proposal, centering
in the case with all the others on
the question of seniority, briefly was
that roads interested in individual set-
tlements would pledge themselves to
employment for all strikers not
provided of acts of violence; would
of certain pension rights "for other
employees"; and would agree to sub-
mit to a commission of ten brother-
hood leaders and executives all dis-
putes which could not be settled by
direct conference.

Would Destroy Strike
The strikers who have maintained
that they had not authorized the big
five to suggest individual settlements,
pleaded this proposal with the explana-
tion that it did not guarantee seniority
to the men who might return on the
third of the country's roads and
at the same time would destroy the
effectiveness of the strike being car-
ried on by the other two thirds.

Then from the mediating brother-
hoods came the statement that they
hadly notified all concerned that
they considered further peace effort
futile and had nothing more to
suggest.

ARREST FOUR FOR
DEATH OF FARMER

Martin Had Accompanied Young
Girl to Movies and Found
With Head Crushed.

ATLANTA, Aug. 25.—Three men and
one woman are held at local police head-
quarters tonight in connection with the
death of J. B. Martin, a 40-year-old farm-
er of Marietta, Ga., who was found here
Thursday night with his skull
crushed, and died today at a local hos-
pital.

H. P. Sellers, his son, W. E. Sellers,
and H. L. Simmons were arrested this
morning on blanket charges of suspi-
cion in connection with the death of Mar-
tin, and Miss Hazel Sellers, the 20-year-
old daughter of H. P. Sellers, was taken
into custody and held as a witness in the
case. It was stated at police headquar-
ters that Martin accompanied Miss Sell-
ers to a motion picture theatre Thurs-
day night.

Martin was found about a block and
a half from the Sellers residence with
his skull crushed, detectives investigat-
ing the case stated. They said a sum of
money and several negotiable promissory
notes, one of which falls due tomorrow,
were found on his body.

Attempt To Wreck
Passenger Train
From Montgomery

MACON, Ga., Aug. 25.—Central of
Georgia Railroad officials announced to-
night that they were investigating an
alleged deliberate attempt to wreck a
passenger train from Montgomery this
morning at Byron, Ga.

The official report presented by en-
gineer Bittick, on which the investiga-
tion is being made, showed that some
one placed two large nuts, fastened to-
gether with a wooden pin, on the guides
in front of the crosshead on the left side
of the locomotive as the train stopped at
Byron. Bittick said that when the lo-
comotive did not start properly, he in-
vestigated and found the nuts. A similar
attempt to wreck a train occurred here
a week ago on the bridge over the Oc-
mulgee river.

LONG LINES PASS
BIER OF COLLINS

Sorrowing Populace Pay Last
Tribute to Irish Commander
Killed From Ambush.

DUBLIN, Aug. 25.—Scenes of great
sorrow were witnessed throughout to-
day in the city hall as long lines of
people passed the bier of Michael Col-
lins, the free state commander in chief,
who was killed from ambush by repub-
lican forces last Tuesday night.

A pathetic scene took place at mid-
day when the city hall was closed for
a time to the public, and relatives and
close friends of the dead general were
admitted to pay their respects. Sean
Collins, a brother, broke down com-
pletely and threw himself across the
body. The silence inside the mortuary
chapel was broken only by the sobs
of the mourners and the low voice of
the priest intoning words of consolation.

Many thousands of persons viewed
the face of Collins during the day, the
lid of the coffin having been removed
early this morning in order that the
populace might see for the last time
the features of the man who had
fought so bravely for the provisional
government.

The free state government has de-
clared Monday, the day on which Gen-
eral Collins will be buried, a day of
general mourning. All industry except
the essential services will cease.
Throughout the 26 counties there will
be a general stoppage of activities be-
tween 11 o'clock and 12 o'clock noon
except for the celebration of masses
and the formation of processions.

Young Shop Worker
Fears For His Life

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Aug. 25.—Stating
that he believed his safety in jeopardy,
Sam Harris, youthful employee of the
Southern shops in this city, who was
beaten by several men on August fifth,
as a result of which three striking em-
ployees of the road were given 30 days
sentence in jail and from which they
entered an appeal, today delivered him-
self into the custody of the sheriff of
Buncombe county for protection. Sheriff
Lively, placed the young man in the
custody of the jailer.

ELEVEN SERIOUSLY HURT

STRACUSE, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Eleven
passengers were seriously injured to-
night when a trolley car ran down the
Walnut Hill, and was wrecked when it
left the rails and crashed against the
telegraph poles, three city blocks dis-
tance from the point where the car got
beyond control. A number of other pas-
sengers were slightly injured. The ac-
cident occurred as a severe rain and
electric storm was passing over the city.

This accident with Fisher-Brown In-
surance would make a rough road easier
to travel.

INDIANA PUBLISHER DIES AFTER
TRANSFUSION OF BLOOD FAILS

LAKE FOREST, Ill., Aug. 25.—Del-
avan Smith, publisher of the Indianapolis
News, who has been critically ill at his
summer home here died tonight at 3:30
o'clock. After apparently gaining dur-
ing the day, he suffered a sudden relapse
tonight and died a few minutes later.

Mr. Smith suffered from anaemia. Sev-
eral blood transfusions were made in an
effort to save his life.

Mr. Smith was the son of William
Henry Smith, a veteran newspaper man
of Cincinnati and Chicago. He was a
cousin of the late Vice-President Charles
Warren Fairbanks. He was born De-
cember 28, 1861, in Cincinnati where his
father was a newspaper reporter in civil
war days. The elder Smith was at one

SENATE ARGUES
TWO HOURS ON
SOLDIER BONUS

Senator McCumber Is Anxious
to Get Vote on Bill Before Ad-
journment Today.

SMOOT OFFERS TWO
MORE AMENDMENTS

Reed Declares Country Cannot
Afford to Pay—Refuse to
"Pass the Buck."

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—For two
hours today the senate heard argu-
ments for and against the soldiers'
bonus bill, but it took no action on
any of the pending amendments. Sen-
ator McCumber, republican, North Da-
kota, in charge of the measure, made
an effort to get an agreement for a
vote before adjournment tomorrow,
but although unsuccessful was hopeful
that the bill could be passed early in
the coming week.

Two additional amendments were
offered today by Senator Smoot, of
Utah, ranking republican, on the fin-
ance committee. One proposes that
the amended bonus measure with its op-
tional bonus plans be financed by a
manufacturers' sales tax, at the rate
of one-half of one per cent for the first
three years and one-fourth of one per
cent thereafter.

Sales Tax Plan
The other amendment was in the
nature of a sub for the pending bill
with a paid up insurance plan in lieu
of all other options, that, too, to be
financed by a manufacturers' sales
tax, but at the rate of one-fourth of
one per cent. In each case the proposed
tax would become effective next
November 1, and exemptions would be
made in the case of all farm products
and manufacturers doing a business
of less than \$50,000 a year.

In the debate today Senator Reed, re-
publican, Pennsylvania, a former ser-
vice man, declared his opposition to
the bonus, his address being his mald-
in effort in the senate. He said the
plain fact was that the country could
not afford to pay the bonus and added
that, in army parlance he did not pro-
pose to "pass the buck" to the presi-
dent.

Speeches in opposition to the bonus
also were made by Senators New, re-
publican, Indiana, and Myers, democrat
Montana, while Senator Bursum, re-
publican, New Mexico, spoke in sup-
port of the bonus and his amendment
under which the veterans would be
paid in cash within the next five years.
Senator McCumber also joined in the
discussion to reply briefly to a state-
ment made yesterday by Senator
Wadsworth, republican, New York.

TAMPICO SUFFERS FIRE

TAMPICO, Mex., Aug. 25.—The business
district here was badly damaged this
morning. Three persons are known to
be dead and twelve persons were seriously
injured. Property damage estimated
at more than 5,000,000 pesos was caused.
The origin of the fire is not known.

The conflagration was the worst in the
history of this port. Twenty-seven com-
mercial houses were destroyed by flames,
while several others were torn down in
an effort to check the fire's spread. An
explosion of chemicals in a drug store
while firemen were inside caused the
deaths.

Fire is the King of all losses—Fisher-
Brown Insurance is the safe remedy.

35 KLANSMEN ACQUITTED
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 25.—The thirty-
five alleged members of the Ku Klux
Klan tried on felony charges growing out
of the Inglewood raid April 22 were
acquitted tonight by a jury in the su-
perior court.

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Department of
Justice Agents
After Radicals

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—Department of
Justice Agents today were reported to
be planning a new raid on alleged rad-
icals as a result of the arrest several
days ago of 17 persons when a meeting
in Berrien county, Michigan, was raided.
The officials are said to have the names
of two score other persons who attended
the Michigan meeting.

William Z. Foster, one of those ar-
rested here in connection with the al-
leged radical meetings, was arraigned
on a warrant charging him with criminal
syndicalism today and at the request of
the state the case was continued until
September 12.

Joseph Spolansky, federal agent, said
tonight he had obtained evidence that
Foster attended the Michigan meeting.
Foster denied this when arrested.

Quantities of literature printed in va-
rious languages said to have been seized
by the agents of the government in raids
and at the place where the Michigan
meeting was held was taken to the fed-
eral building for examination today.

MAKE APPOINTMENTS
FOR RESERVE BOARD

Harding Will Fill Two Vacancies
Soon Unless Unexpected De-
velopments Prevent.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Unless un-
expected developments prevent, Presi-
dent Harding will announce within the
next few days appointments to fill the
two vacancies on the Federal Reserve
Board, it was stated today at the White
House.

The president was representing as per-
sonally not opposed to the reappointment
as Governor of W. P. G. Harding of
Birmingham, Ala., whose term as a
member of the board expired on August
10, but to recognize a divided sentiment
against his retention. At the same time,
the president was declared to be faced
with the difficulty of the geographical
representation on the board in deciding
upon the new "dirt farmer" member.

In some official quarters the view was
advanced tonight that President Harding
was not as yet decided as between W. P.
G. Harding and D. R. Crissinger the
comptroller of the currency, for the
post of governor of the Federal Reserve
Board, with the suggestion advanced
that if a selection is not made soon a
compromise selection may be made.

Opposition to the reappointment of
former Governor Harding, according to
some close observers of reserve board
developments, is mainly from the section
of the country represented in congress
by the "farm bloc" while business cen-
ters, on the other hand are said to be
opposing Mr. Crissinger because of his
suggestion for a three-and-one-half per-
cent rediscunt rate on farm paper com-
ing upon not more than six percent
being charged on the original loan by
banks.

WILL TAKE OVER
RAILS AND MINES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The ad-
ministration will seek legislation from
congress authorizing the taking over
certain railroads and anthracite mines
if there is not a radical improvement
in the industrial situation within the
next few days, it was indicated to-
night after Senator Cummins chair-
man of the senate interstate commerce
committee, and Attorney General
Daugherty had conferred with Presi-
dent Harding for more than an hour.

Railroads will be given an oppor-
tunity to demonstrate their ability to
furnish adequate service, it was de-
clared, but those which cannot give
proper service will be taken over by
the government under present plans. If
production of anthracite is not resumed
"within a few days" it was added,
a bill will be introduced in congress to
authorize the government to take over
the mines and produce coal. Legisla-
tion to enable such seizures, Senator
Cummins predicted would quickly be
rushed through congress.

Charge Colored
Officials Stole
Money From Bank

RICHMOND, Aug. 25.—Affairs of the
Mechanics Savings Bank, colored, now in
the hands of receivers took an unex-
pected turn tonight, when two of its of-
ficers and three clerks were arrested,
charging with either stealing the funds
of the bank, or with irregularities in
handling the accounts of certain de-
positors.

John M. Mitchell, Jr., president, and
Albert V. Norrell, Jr., cashier, were
taken into custody on a joint warrant
charging the theft of \$19,000 said to have
been on deposit to the credit of two fra-
ternal organizations.

DISTRIBUTION OF
COAL BE PUT IN
OLD HANDS SOON

Increased Bituminous Coal Pro-
duction Makes It Unnecessary
for Organization.

NUMBER APPLICATIONS
FOR COAL DECREASED

Fuel Movement Will Now Be
Left to Regular Interstate
Commerce Commission.

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The vol-
unteer federal fuel distribution organi-
zation will cease to function next week,
it was indicated tonight by coal com-
mittee officials. Increased bituminous
coal production, it was said, will make
use of the super-priority system of
fuel distribution unnecessary after
next Monday.

With the discontinuance of this
method of emergency coal handling
fuel movement will be left to the reg-
ular priority classification of the in-
terstate commerce commission pending
enactment of legislation by congress
to meet the fuel supply situation. Fed-
eral Distributor Spencer, it is believed,
will retain a skeleton organization for a
time to provide a nucleus to build up
any distribution agency which may
be created by congress but the advisory
committee of coal operators, of
which C. E. Bockus of New York is
chairman and the district committees
which have represented the federal
coal committee in West Virginia,
Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and
Virginia will be disbanded in the
course of the week.

The effect of a sharply increased coal
production from fields recently reopen-
ed, according to committee officials, is
manifested in the decreasing number
of applications for emergency coal re-
ceived by Mr. Spencer.

TRIES TO BLOW
WAY TO FREEDOM

Notorious Bank Robber's Plan to
Dynamite Alabama Jail
Made Public.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 25.—Roy
Dickerson, notorious bank robber serv-
ing a 25 year term at the Flat Top
prison and captured after a nation wide
search is being held in a solitary cell
at Kelly prison near Montgomery after
making an effort to dynamite his way
to freedom from Flat Top.

Dickerson who was sent to the
penitentiary early this year was dis-
covered with two quarts of kerosene
and a carbide can containing three and
a half sticks of dynamite to which caps
and fuses had been placed on the night
of August 19. He was transferred to
Kelly prison August 22.

Nothing was made public about the
attempt to escape until this afternoon.
When found with the explosives,
Dickerson confessed, prison officials
stated that he intended to make his
escape. He told the warden he had
stood all the punishment he could
stand and begged the warden to kill
him. Dickerson was convicted of the
robbery of the Phoenix Girard (Ala-
bama) Bank of thousands of dollars,
slaying the holdup in broad daylight.

He pleaded guilty and accepted 25
years. His wife, convicted of complicity
in the robbery, got ten years at
Speigner, Ala. She is now in a hospi-
tal at Montgomery on parole granted
by Governor Kilby in order that an
operation might be performed outside
of prison.

REPARATIONS COMMISSION WILL
TACKLE PROBLEM AGAIN TODAY

PARIS, Aug. 25.—The reparations
commission will hold a session tomor-
row afternoon, immediately following
the return to Paris of the representa-
tives of the commission who have been
in Berlin endeavoring to arrange with
the German government for further
guarantees for a moratorium to Ger-
many.

The members of the delegation will
arrive shortly after noon and report
to the commission. Although both of-
ficial circles and French reparations of-
ficials regard the Berlin negotiations as
having been a complete failure, Sir
John Bradbury and M. Mauciere are
bringing with them the eleventh hour
counter proposals submitted by Dr.
Wirth the German chancellor and
which the British are hoping will
prove acceptable.

The details of these proposals are

Crew of Sampaio
Correai Coming
Here For Plane

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Four members
of the crew of the Sampaio Correai,
which was wrecked Tuesday while on its
United States-to-Brazil flight, left Guat-
anamo today for Havana, Cuba, on their
way to the United States to take charge
of the navy plane in which they will re-
sume their trip to Rio Janeiro.

This information was contained in a
dispatch tonight from George T. Bye,
historian of the aircraft, to the New
York World.

The party will leave Havana by steam-
er Monday for Key West, Fla. The fifth
member of the crew, John Wilshusen,
the mechanic, will leave Guantanamo,
Cuba, for Havana Saturday, taking with
him the damaged motors of the Sampaio
Correai.

GET INSURANCE;
MAN STILL LIVING

Miner Arrested for Scheming
With Auto Man to Disappear
and Be Reported Dead.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 25.—Al-
bert Albarado, miner, was arrested
here today on charges of conspiracy
in connection with the alleged attempt
of Buel S. Albritton, Gadsden, auto-
mobile dealer to collect \$105,000 in in-
surance, after Albritton's reported
death by accident two years ago. Al-
barado was taken before United States
Commissioner Kenneth Charlton,
where bond of \$5,000 was fixed. He
was unable to make bond late today.

Albarado, with Albritton's son, was
reported to have been with the elder
Albritton at the time of his disappear-
ance, both of them later reporting that
he man had been drowned in the Ten-
nessee river near Cuntersville, Ala.

Albritton who was brought to Bir-
mingham last night from Rehegan,
Washington, was released on a \$5,000
bond following preliminary hearing
today before Commissioner Charlton.

Western Union to
Have Cable With
South Americans

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—President
Harding today signed a license author-
izing the Western Union Telegraph com-
pany to land and operate at Miami
Beach, Fla., a cable extending from
there to Barbados where it connects
with the line of the Western Telegraph
company, Ltd., a British concern, to
Brazil. Announcement to this effect
was made after official notification had
been received that the Argentine gov-
ernment had accepted the renuncia-
tion by the Western Telegraph com-
pany of its monopoly rights in that
country.

The effect of the Argentine govern-
ment's action, it was explained, open-
ed up South America to the all Amer-
ican, Western and Western Union com-
panies with equal privileges in all the
South and Central American republics.

German Agent Held
For Bombing Plot

PARIS, Aug. 25.—An agent of the
German "Consul" organization was ar-
rested tonight by the government se-
cret service in the belief he is the man
sent here to assassinate Premier Poin-
care. The prisoner answers the de-
scription of a noted radical named
Guenther, who is suspected of respon-
sibility for the assassination a year
ago of Matthias Erzberger the former
German minister of finance.

The agent was found in a western
suburb of Paris. He is closely confined
while the police are continuing to
search for evidence of possible accomp-
lices.

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OPERATORS AND
MINERS TO GET
ANOTHER TRIAL

President Harding, Chairman
Cummins and Attorney Gen-
eral Daugherty Confer.

"REASONABLE" LENGTH
FOR ROADS TO SETTLE

Cummins Would Propose Legis-
lation Empowering Govern-
ment to Re-Open Mines.

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Federal
operation of anthracite coal mines and
some of the railroads were considered at
a White House conference tonight be-
tween President Harding and Chairman
Cummins of the senate interstate com-
merce committee, and attorney General
Daugherty.

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Senator Cummins said after the con-
ference that the anthracite operators and
miners would be given one more oppor-
tunity to settle their difficulties.

"If there isn't a settlement in a few
days," he said, "I will introduce a bill
authorizing the government to operate
the mines."

Likewise, he said, the railroads would
be given a "reasonable" time in which
to demonstrate their ability to furnish
adequate service and that those unable
to do so would be taken over.

Cummins Confident
Senator Cummins expressed confidence
that legislation for both purposes could
be rushed through without delay. It was
indicated that consideration of these
steps would not operate to interfere with
proposed legislation now pending and
designed to curb profiteering in coal.

The White House conference followed
a survey of the whole situation at the
regular cabinet meeting and the termi-
nation without result of the conference
at New York between railroad execu-
tives and union officials. It was stated
that the conference would be resumed
tomorrow.

Before tonight's conference the ground
work had been laid through adminis-
tration overtures for a further meeting
between the parties to the anthracite
dispute, to be held next week at some
point in Pennsylvania. It was indicated
that certain proposals would be made
which it was hoped would bring about
an adjustment of the difficulty which
disrupted the season at Philadelphia
earlier this week.

While no detailed explanation was
given as to how the government would
operate anthracite mines in the event of
their seizure, it was indicated that the
first step would be to fix a wage scale
and then request or direct the miners
to return to work. Coal mined, it was
stated would be marketed through the
regular commercial channels, the gov-
ernment taking steps to prevent possi-
ble profiteering.

The bituminous situation did not enter
into discussion, the conference agreeing
that this industry gradually was getting
back to normal. The ability of the
roads to move coal from the mines, in
the view of officials, constitutes an im-
portant element in this connection, how-
ever, and may prove a determining
factor as to the necessity for federal oper-
ation of carriers.

ATTACK PARTY
NEGRO SHOPMEN

Two Men Held in Atlanta for
Shooting Workers in South-
ern Railway Yards.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 25.—Robert H.
Bogart and Samuel C. Shockley were
bound over to the federal district court
here today on charges of conspiracy to
violate the interstate commerce laws
following a hearing before Colquit Car-
ter, United States commissioner, on
charges growing out of an attack on a
party of negro workmen at the Inman
yards of the Southern Railway last Mon-
day. They were released on bonds of
\$5,000 each.

W. A. Davis, a special patrolman em-
ployed by the Southern Railway, testi-
fied at the hearing that he saw Shock-
ley shoot at Aldridge Hopkins, one of
the negroes, three times. One bullet
struck Hopkins and physicians say his
condition is precarious. Bogart was iden-
tified by witnesses as a member of the
attacking party.

AMERICAN PRIVATE KILLED
COBLENTZ, Aug. 25.—Private Lester
Irons, of Toms River, N. J., a member
of a provisional military police company
was found today in a pool of blood with
part of his head shot away, outside the
garage of Major General Henry T. Allen
in command of the American forces of
the Rhine. Private Irons had been on
guard duty at this post last night. Two
German girls are being held for investi-
gation.